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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)
SUBJECT: GUIDANCE: VARIOUS SUBJECTS

FOR TARNOFF FROM HOUGHTON

1. PLEASE TELL FRANK AND HEY ISHAM THAT I HAVE QUERIED MR. VANCE AGAIN ABOUT HIS CONVERSATION WITH ABE RIBICOFF TUESDAY EVENING. AS I SUSPECTED LATE YESTERDAY, THE ANTI-TERRORISM BILL WAS NOT DISCUSSED, AND MR. VANCE'S ABBREVIATED REMARKS TO ME OF YESTERDAY MORNING TO THE EFFECT THAT "IT WON'T WORK" WERE ADDRESSED TO ANOTHER SUBJECT ENTIRELY -- IN FACT A SUGGESTION BY RIBICOFF ON THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS HAS NOW BEEN CLARIFIED: MR. VANCE HAS NO SPECIAL GUIDANCE FOR HEY FOR TODAY'S MEETING WITH RIBICOFF'S STAFF ON THE BILL. HE HAS ASKED THAT IT BE HANDLED AT THE STAFF LEVEL, ACCORDING TO HEY'S BEST JUDGMENT AND THAT OF OTHERS CONCERNED IN THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING CHRIS, WHOM HE WISHES INVOLVED..

2. PRIOR TO DEPARTING, LES GELB ASKED ME TO RAISE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS WITH MR. VANCE REGARDING PREPARATION FOR SALT IN MOSCOW. THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE OF HELP:
-- REGARDING INSTRUCTIONS ON SALT, MR. VANCE ASKS THAT
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LES TALK TO PAUL WARNCKE, WHO WILL HAVE THESE AND GUIDANCE ON STRATEGY.
-- MR. VANCE PLANS TO RAISE OTHER ISSUES, SUCH AS CTB, MBFR AND SSOD.
-- NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE REGARDING PRESS BACKGROUNDING AT THIS TIME.
-- SUBJECT TO CLOSE COORDINATION WITH CHRIS AND TO THE

PRESIDENT'S AGREEMENT THE SFRC AND JACKSON SUBCOMMITTEE
MAY BE BRIEFED IN GENERAL TERMS ON THE FORTHCOMING SALT
DISCUSSIONS, WITHOUT SPECIFICS.

3. MAT HAS RECOMMENDED, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF CHRIS,
PAUL WARNCKE AND BILL MAYNES, THAT TOM GATES BE DESIGNATED
AS THE THIRD PUBLIC MEMBER OF OUR SSOD DELEGATION, INSTEAD
OF AVERELL HARRIMAN. MR. VANCE WISHES TO OFFER THE POSITION
TO HARRIMAN FIRST, HOWEVER; IF HE TURNS IT DOWN, TOM GATES
MAY THEN BE DESIGNATED.

4. PLEASE INFORM DAVID THAT THE SPANISH RAISED THE
QUESTION OF A POSSIBLE VISIT BY MR. VANCE FOR THE US/SPANISH
JOINT COMMISSION MEETING. MR. VANCE INFORMED THEM THAT
HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO SO IN MID JUNE, AS DAVID
SUGGESTED. FY: MR. VANCE BELIEVES THAT A PRESIDENTIAL
STOP IN MADRID MAY BE A POSSIBILITY HOWEVER.
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